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May 3, 2013

**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire  
Chief Clerk & Administrator  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: State Universal Service Fund ("State USF")  
**NDI 2013-6-C**

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Pursuant to Commission Order No. 2013-243 the following additional information and recommendation is provided:

1. The July 2012 ILEC annual data reports filed with Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS"). (Exhibit One)
2. The surrogate cost information provided to ORS by the incumbent local exchange carriers ("ILECs"). (Exhibit Two)
3. ORS respectfully submits that no "overpayment" has been made as all disbursements are pursuant to the current and effective Commission orders and are consistent with the amounts disbursed by the Commission prior to ORS becoming the Fund Administrator. Based on the present orders of the Commission, the fact that support exceeds the cost from the original cost studies approved by the Commission, does not impact the amount of disbursement and ORS recommends that the Commission issue its Order so finding.

Very truly yours,

Nanette S. Edwards

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**BEFORE**  
**THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF**  
**SOUTH CAROLINA**  
**NDI-2013-6-C**

IN RE: Request of the Office of Regulatory Staff for ) **MOTION FOR**  
Guidance Regarding the State Universal ) **CONFIDENTIAL**  
Service Fund ) **TREATMENT**

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The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff (“ORS”) hereby files with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”), pursuant to 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-829 (2012) and Commission Order No. 2005-226<sup>1</sup>, this motion for confidential treatment of Exhibit One, the ILEC annual data reports filed with ORS in July of 2012 for year 2011, and Exhibit Two, the surrogate cost information provided to ORS by the incumbent local exchange carriers in April of 2013, which are being provided to the Commission pursuant to Order No. 2013-243.

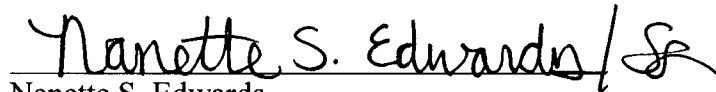
2. The reporting incumbent local exchange carriers deem the responses provided to ORS as confidential and proprietary information. Pursuant to Commission Order No. 2005-185, the information contained in Exhibit One is to be treated as confidential and proprietary. Since ORS received the information in Exhibit Two marked “confidential,” it is forwarding same to the Commission.

3. In accordance with Commission Order No. 2005-226, Exhibit One and Two are presented for filing in a separate, sealed envelope with the words “confidential” marked clearly on the envelope.

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<sup>1</sup>Commission Order No. 2005-226 sets forth the requirements for filing confidential information with the Commission.

WHEREFORE, in accordance with Commission Order No. 2005-226, ORS respectfully submits the aforementioned information for confidential treatment and for such other relief as the Commission may find to be just and proper.

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